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To: All OCRM Public Notice Subscribers
Subject: **Change in OCRM Public Notice Procedures effective January 3, 2002**

Due to legislatively mandated budget cuts, all state agencies are evaluating where costs can be reduced without lessening the level of service to our customers. As part of our efforts, OCRM is seeking to substantially reduce the costs involved in mailing public notices through the use of electronic distribution. The cost savings include staff time, postage, supplies, and equipment maintenance and repair.

Effective with our January 3, 2002 distribution, our public notice subscribers will have four means to review or obtain copies of our weekly public notices. We are encouraging subscribers to utilize our web pages to obtain the notices. These are currently available and may be viewed at: <http://www.scdhec.net/ocrm/html/pubnotic.html>.

1. Public notices may be obtained at no cost from the SCDHEC- OCRM web page. The web page includes the entire critical area permit public notice with drawings and an aerial photograph locating the site. The coastal zone consistency certification public notices are included in their normal abbreviated format, but with aerial photography location maps for many of the sites. If subscribers request, they will be notified weekly by e-mail when the public notices are posted. Any number of individuals can be included for notification.
2. Public notices may be obtained weekly via first class U.S. Mail for an annual fee of \$156.00 for all notices, including drawings and other submittals. This fee was derived from our average weekly cost for mailing the entire public notice package to agencies. We will no longer offer regional mailings nor abridged packages.
3. Individual public notices may be obtained upon request for a fee of \$0.25 a page (plus postage if mailed), payable in advance.
4. The weekly public notices may be reviewed free during normal business hours at any of our four offices (Columbia, Charleston, Beaufort and Myrtle Beach).

Permittees and adjacent property owners will continue to be mailed a public notice at no charge, as will any other required notification for a permit or public hearing (i.e., individuals who comment on a specific public notice.)

Please complete and return the attached form or respond by e-mail.

Please complete and return via mail or respond via e-mail to:

*Marlene Riggs (riggsma@dhec.state.sc.us)
Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management
S.C. Department of Health and Environmental Control
1362 McMillan Street, Suite 400
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Name: _____

Company/Agency: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Check as appropriate

- ☐ I plan to obtain weekly public notices from the OCRM web site. Please notify me weekly by e-mail when the notices are posted; if the e-mail address differs from above, please indicate the address (any number of individual e-mail addresses may be included; attach list if necessary): _____

- ☐ I plan to obtain weekly public notices from the OCRM web site. No notification of posting is necessary.

- ☐ Please mail me the weekly public notices. Enclosed please find my check for \$156.00 for one year, beginning on January 3, 2002, made out to OCRM-SCDHEC.

Public Notice Web Page:

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